

## News from Seven Persons School

September 15, 2021

6:30 pm - Zoom Meeting

1. Start up:
2. Student Breaks - 2 -15 minute breaks (1 morning/1 afternoon), 20 minute lunch recess & 20 minute lunch.
3. New Options
  - a. Outward Bound/Outdoor Leadership
  - b. Change the World- creating opportunities to take action to help, bring awareness to local, national or global issues/concerns
  - c. Technology
    - i. Robotics - building and programming using Code
    - ii. 3D Printing & Laser cutting - Essentially, **laser** cutting is a fabrication process that uses a thin, focused, **laser** beam to **cut** and etch materials into custom designs
    - iii. Videography/Photography
    - iv. Mini Drones
  - d. Crafts - using CRICUT machine as well as learning other skills - knitting, crocheting, cross stitch, etc.
  - e. Beyond the Lemonade Stand - learning about entrepreneurship early can have major life-long benefits including self-sufficiency, resiliency and creative problem solving.
- Cost of options may be a little different than initially communicated simply because the cost of running the program has increased. For example, the Foods program fee has increased because of the food costs going up. The fees we charge are cost recovery, not to make money, therefore, we try to keep costs down as much as possible.
4. Powerschool
  - a. Grades 6-9 - Callie has given letters to Grades 6-9 teachers to send home regarding PS. It gives you your child's username and password.
  - b. Parents can use their child's username and password or can email Callie and she can set up an account for you.
  - c. If you have any questions about this, please give Callie a call and she can help you navigate through PowerSchool.
5. Hot Lunch updates - Joanne
6. Fundraising - communication
7. School volunteers:
  - a. In classroom volunteers will be at the discretion of the teacher and their level of comfort with having more people in their classroom.

- b. In school, ie. hot lunches - sign in at the office, must wear a mask at all times, can work in the concession to prepare food. All foods must be individually wrapped - just like last year.
- 8. Yearbooks - We charged \$30 -the cost for this year is \$38.53. There is a buffer in the budget due to the charge last year and the cost coming under budget. Moving forward - we should probably set the price and make it work through Shutterfly. Other suggestions would be welcome.
- 9. Library - new furniture in, now the laborious task of putting books back and culling books no longer used.
  - a. Diversity and equity books have been purchased and coming in (slowly)
- 10. Priorities the school for 2021-2022 School Year:
  - a. Gym Sound System and Projector (asking Al's audio for a quote) - between 15 and 20 thousand dollars
    - i. Power surge in the current system fried many of the units, making them unusable.
  - b. Welding/Mechanics lab
    - i. Clean out of the garage done
    - ii. Leveling around the garage and putting down road crush - asked Division for a quote
    - iii. Increasing power to the garage - in communication with Fortis and submitted a loose plan to the Division and waiting for approval to begin to look at costs
    - iv. Darrell Drefs - maintenance - approximately 10-15 thousand for upgrading power (unless we can get Fortis to volunteer some of the cost). Jon Anderson (Kassia's husband) - journeyman electrician and willing to volunteer his expertise to this project.

## 11. School Plan